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- BY EMPLOYMENT MEMBERS WWII GERMAN SECURITY AND INTELLIGENCE ORGANIZATIONS. AS YOU ARE AWARD THEY FIRST GAINED ACCESS TO CROWCASS LIST IN JANUARY 1975 (BERLIN 25385) AT TIME WHEN THEY ASSUMEDLY ALSO FIRST LEARNED OF DEROG INFO ON VON ALTEN. UNDOUBTEDLY, SOME OF RECENT QUERIES CONCERN VON ALTEN INVESTIGATION. HOWEVER, WE ALSO KNOW THAT BND VP BLOETZ HAD BEEN CONCERNED WITH THE BROADER PROBLEM OF EMPLOYEES WITH

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BACKGROUNDS WHICH MIGHT HAVE PUT THEM ON THE CROWCASS LIST

AND HE HAS PUT GOOD DEAL OF PRESSURE ON BDN SECURITY

DEPARTMENT TO RESOLVE--INSOFAR AS POSSIBLE--SUCH CASES.

UNDOUBTEDLY, PART OF HIS CONCERN STEMS FROM POSSIBILITY

UNFAVORABLE PUBLICITY TO BND FOR EMPLOYMENT SUCH INDIVIDUALS.

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